



# Indiana State Child Support Bureau

Employer Maintenance Unit

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## Pro-rating Multiple Child Support Orders

### How do you pro-rate multiple child support orders?

When the Consumer Credit Protection Act (CCPA) percentage limitations do not permit full satisfaction of multiple income withholding orders.

1. Add together all of the non-custodial parent's current support amounts and then separately, add together the arrearage amounts.

#### EXAMPLE:

Sue Doe v. Tom Doe, \$75 current plus \$25 on the arrearage.

Mae Jones v. Tom Doe, \$65 current plus \$15 on the arrearage.

Jane Smith v. Tom Doe, \$90 current plus \$20 on the arrearage.

**Total \$220 current; \$60 arrearage.**

2. Separately determine the percentage each order amount is of the total dollar amount of the combined support orders, for current and arrearage.

#### EXAMPLE:

##### Current Orders

Total amount of Mr. Doe's 3 orders = \$220.

Sue Doe v Tom doe (\$75 divided by \$220=.34) 34%.

Mae Jones v Tom Doe (\$65 divided by \$220=.296) 30%.

Jane Smith v Tom Doe (\$80 divided by \$220=.363) 36 %.

##### Arrearage Orders

Total amount of 3 orders =\$60.

\$25 divided by \$60=42%.

\$15 divided by \$60 =25%.

\$20 divided by \$60=33%.

3. If the non-custodial parent's disposable income is \$310.00 and the amount that may be deducted for child support is 55%, pursuant to the CCPA limitations, the amount available to pro-rate is \$170.00.

4. **Important:** When allocating on a pro-rata basis, the current obligations must be withheld **first**.

5. To calculate the correct pro-rated dollar amounts, multiply the amount calculated to be available for proration (\$170) by the calculated percentage applicable for each order.

#### EXAMPLE:

##### Current Support

Sue Doe v Tom Doe  $\$170 \times .34 = \$57.80$

Mae Jones v Tom Doe  $\$170 \times .30 = \$51.00$

Jane Smith v Tom Doe  $\$170 \times .36 = \$61.20$

##### Arrears

Since amount subject to proration was not enough to satisfy all current obligations, there is nothing available to apply to the prorated percentages for the arrearage orders.